# A Sherlock Holmes Romance of bove and Mystery.

Many Moretan, whose father, Capt, Morsan, alled some years before, learns through hadden Shoito that the latter's father and Lapt. Morsan once owned an East indian reasure which the former had hidden some stars to go with him to the house where his win brother Bartholomew is guarding it. "I enlisted as a soldier," he said, when I was eighteen, and was sent to India. There while I was swimming in the Ganges a crockodile bit off my Natson. They find Bartholomew murdered and the treasure gone. Small footprints, apparently a child's, are discovered near the Molmes learns that a one-leaged man mutiny broke out soon after, and men

bady.

Holmes learns that a one-legged man amned Jonathan Small and the savage from the Andaman Islands in low with Mary Marston.

Small and the savage embark with the Singh and Abdullah Khan by name. Was put on guard at one of gives chase in a nolice hoat and overhalis the launch. The savage is killed and Small is captured. Watson carries the treasure chest to Mary, who opens it. The chest is empty.

Out of the army; but as the Sepoy mutiny broke out soon after, and men out of the obest and were not there out of the obest and were not there we had counted our treasures we put them back into the carried them to the gate-way to show the posicra gates of the old fort at Agra.

"The two Sikhs unfolded to me (under

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Fortune Lost; Love Won. E started back in amazed chagrin

No wonder that it was heavy. The plan was to seize this treasure as it ironwork was two-thirds of an inch was borne through our postern gate and box, therefore, into the same hall where fromwork was two-thirds of an inch was some think all around. It was massive, well to secrete it in one of the winding pas- we had buried the body, and there, unmade and solid, like a chest con- sages of the old fort. The treasure atructed to carry things of great price, had originally been stolen by the Rajah, but not one shred or crumb of metal or Moreover he was a fee to my country, jewelry lay within it. It was absolutely I was incapacitated from earning a liv-

As I listened to the words and realized what they meant a great shadow seemed to pass from my soul. I did not weighed me down until now that it was finally removed. It was selfish, no doubt, disloyal, wrong, but I could barrier was gone from between us.

very heart. looked at me with a quick, questioning smile. "Why do you say that?"

"Because you are within my reach again," I said, taking her hand. She did not withdraw it. "Because I love you. Mary, as truly as ever a man loved woman. > Because this treasure, these riches, sealed my lips. Now that they are gone I can tell you how I love you. That is why I said, 'Thank God.'

"Then I say "Thank God,' too," she whispered as I drew her to my side. Whoever had lost a treasure that night that I had gained one. Whoever had lost a treasure I knew

It was a blank-faced assemblage at the Baker street rooms (whither Small had, at Holmes's request, first been taken) when I showed them the empty

"Of course it's empty," said Smail, carelessly. "When I saw you gaining on us I threw the treasure into the top. We opened it, and the light of the lantern gleamed upon a collection through the doorway. Of course he through the wealth I'd worked so to gain, the sikken cord to that carved handle upon after him that night, and saw him pass of the lantern gleamed upon a collection of gems such as I have read of and thought he had taken refuge in the fort, and saw him pass through the doorway. Of course he thought when I was a little lad and applied for admission there him that night, and saw him pass of the lantern gleamed upon a collection of gems such as I have read of and thought he had taken refuge in the fort, and the light after him that night, and saw him pass through the doorway. Of course he thought lead and applied for admission there him the light after him that night, and saw him pass through the doorway. Of course he thought lead and applied for admission there him the light after him that night, and saw him pass of the lantern gleamed upon a collection of gems such as I have read of and thought he had taken refuge in the fort, at least through the doorway. Of course he thought he had taken refuge in the fort, at least through the doorway.

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The idea is to prick with a pin through the dots in the dotted space that is pro-

vided here a copy of the small picture

that appears alongside. The small pic-ture for to-day is our friend Sassy

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larger than the original-about twice

of the subject of illustration.

HE EVENING WORLD'S pin-light pictures, for which \$200 in prizes are offered, are proving

hundred very fine pearls, twelve of which were set in a gold chaplet. By

oath of secrecy) a plan that should make us all rich. It seemed that an up-country Rajah was sending a chest of treasure to Agra for safety. He was sending it by a servant named Achmet who was accompanied by Dost Akbar, at sight of the empty treasure foster-brother to Abdullah Khan, and who was dieguised as a merchant. Their "The treasure is lost," said Miss MorSo I agreed to the plan, under promise of receiving one-fourth of the treasure It turned out as we planned."

"And Achmet?" asked Holmes. "He resisted, and one of the Sikhs stabled him. We hid his body. You have never broken. see, after we wrenched the treasure-box from him it became a question of gentlemen, what came of the Indian our lives or his life when once he was shot as likely as not, for people were not very lenient at a time like that." "Go on with your story," said Holmes,

shortly.

Akbar and I. A fine weight he was, too, for all he was so short. Mohammed Singh was left to guard the door. We took him to a place which the Sikhs had already prepared. It was some distance off, where a winding passage leads to a which were all crumbling to pieces. The earth floor had sunk in at one place, making a natural grave, so we left Achmet the merchant there, having first

done, we all went back to the treasure. "It lay where he had dropped it when he was first attacked. The box was set him to play the spy upon the first. the same which now lies open upon. This second man was ordered never to your table. A key was hung by a let Achmet out of his sight and he fol-siken cord to that carved handle upon lowed him like his shadow. He went

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The Sign of the Four BY SIR A. CONAN DOYLE.

Synopsis of preceding charters, and dides some years before, learns through and in less coherent form than I set that the latter's rather and East Indian treasure which the former had use sholes on which on years, before, learns through. And in less coherent form than I set transmit and an agreement which the former had use sholes and a great quantity of beryis, only was, cats' eyes, turquoises and other treasure which the former had hidden a less to have rice to eat and water to have been in company of the muronyxes, cats' eyes, turquoises and other stones, the very names of which I did not know it at the time, though I have become more familiar with them since. Desides this there were nearly three

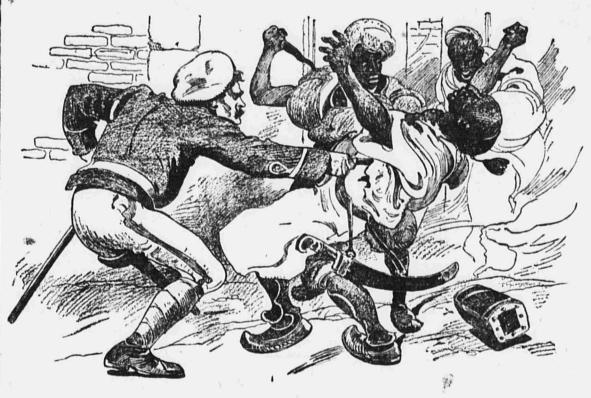
> the way, these last had been taken out of the onest and were not there each other and be true to our secret. We agreed to conceal our loot in a safe place until the country should be at peace again, and then to divide it equally among ourselves. There was no use dividing it at present, for if gems of such value were found upon us it would cause suspicion, and there was no privacy in the fort nor any place where der certain bricks, in the best preserved wall, we made a hollow and put our treasure. We made careful note of the place, and next day I drew four plans, one for each of us, and put the sign of the four of us at the bottom, for we had sworn that we should each always act for all, so that none might take advantage. That is an oath that I can put

mutiny. After Wilson took Delhi and in the fort. If he had got out, the whole Sir Colin relieved Lucknow the back of business would have come to light and the business was broken. Fresh troops I should have been court-martialled and came pouring in, and Nana Sahib made himself scarce over the frontier. A fly round to Agra and cleared the Pandies away from it. Peace seemed to be settling upon the country, and we four were beginning to hope that the time was at hand when we might safely go off with our shares of the plunder. In shattered by our being arrested as the murderers of Achmet.

my hand to my heart and swear that I

"It came about in this way. When the rajah put his jewels into the hands of Achmet, he did it because he knew that he was a trusty man. They are suscovered him over with loose bricks. This pictous folk in the East, however, so what does this rajah do but take a second even more trusty servant, and lowed him like his shadow. He went

THE KILLING OF ACHMET.



"He Resisted and One of the Sikhs Stabbed Him."

dered man. Not a word about the jewels; was ready for him outside, just waiting, the evening we had a little time to our been deposed and driven out of India; stubborn one, so I just held on and bided my time.

Stubborn one, so I just held on and bided my time.

The murder, however, was clearly made out, and it was certain that we come. I was changed from Agra to Madras, and from there to Blair Island, in the Andamans. There are very few white convicts at this settlement, and is and as I had behaved well from the first, I soon found myself a privileged in the same as the others.

Stubborn one, so I just held on and bided my time.

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But at last my chance of escape, but it is and, there is little or no wind in those seas; so it was a terribly difficult job to the seas is not was a terrible of the first in the Andamans. There are very few white convicts at this settlement, and there is little or no wind in those seas; so it was a terrible out for a chance of escape, but it is and there is little or no wind in those seas; so it was a terrible out for a chance of escape. All the time I was on the look-out for a chance of escape. All the time I was out for a chance of escape. All the time I was out for a chance of escape. All the time I was out for a chance of escape. All the time I was

came out at the trial, for the rajah had been deposed and driven out of India; so no one had any particular interest in

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Be Sure to Find Your Soul-Mate.

Dear Miss Ayer: W HEN both parties are in real earnest to enter into connubial relations, and the motives for bringing them together have been satisfactorily ex-

through eternity?" She raised those wonderful soft brown eyes and gazed lovingly into mine, and, stooping, I kissed her. L. R. H. His Good Intention.

Dear Miss Ayer: T HAVE intended, oh, how many times, when we have been together to put the simple question which I intend to ask, of one I love so dearly: est, will you bestow upon me the great happiness of permitting me to call you mine? If I have spoken this too boldly

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ed in Richmond in 1864 to the girl who

does your housework best for a month

is a nice gold brick, isn't it? You ex-

pected to get about a hundred girls to

work for you for nothing. But you

Servant employment bureaus are not

called "intelligence offices" for nothing.

As for your offer of the \$5 bill with

Jefferson Davis's picture on it, we

scorn you and all your "Confederates."

We will still remain as before the

ladies of the house to the women we

Who is America's greatest authoress?

Why, Laura Jean Libbey. FLORA SORUBBS.

P. S.—Is your house near a police sta-ion, please answer? F. S.

BEST LADY JOKE!

Read the remarkable offer of a mem-

tity under the pseudyonym of "Dowie 4-

I inclose my ballot. To help the cause of restoring old jokes, I have or-

ganized The Dowle 4-11-44 Restoration

Host for restoring my old friends who

ber of the S. P. C. H.

Old Jokes' Home! Prof. Josh M. A. Long:

This is a bona-fide offer!

Who is America's foremost actor?

the following communication:

can't fool us.

work for.

recoiled upon him. His endeavor to pronounce undoubtedly the best for the Odell-ize the Old Jokes' Home has failed money that is on the market at the dismally. Prof. Josh M. A. Long is still present time. loing business at the old stand as the Let J. Pierpont Rockchild offer his

DECEMBER 31, 1903.

Vindicated and Sustained!

Put a cross mark in the space oppo-site "Put In" if you believe in putting the old jokes in the Old Jukes' Home, or make a cross mark in the space against "Take Out" if your sonvictions are for

library, I offer this beautiful sewing, machine for the best lady joke.

Yours in the spirit, of brotherly love.
ELLIAH 4-11-44, of Staten Island.
1'. S — You might, ecofine "Bedelia"
and "Hiewatha" if Dr. Lemonouty and two thousand votes. The charge that Prof. Josh M. A. Long tampers with the ballot and pads the returns we scorn Jerry Sullivan must have work.

Prof. Josh M. A. Long:
Please release:
Two Irishmen by the names of Parand Mike were employed in parading a withdrawn. We will keep the hand-some \$5 note, printed in Richmond, Va., house, but Pat was unfortunate and \$ in 1864, and bearing the likeness of the late Jefferson Davis. Why? Because and the doctor said that Pat was dear our motives have been doubted and Mike called the doctor a liar. Pat our motives have been doubted and mad and said the doctor ought to know mad and said the doctor ought to kno

best. J. 1. No. 276 - Mulberry street. Released.

Prof. Josh M. A. Long: Please release the following. I will Please release the local support it in its old age:
"Who was that lady I saw-you with?"
"That wasn't a lady, it was my wife,"
JACK LEVITH.

213 East Thirtieth street. Ah! Ha! Mr. Schorastein! Prof. Josh M. A. Lopg: Please release this from the Old Jokes

"Why was Eve made?"

"For Adams Express Company."

A. SCHORNSTEIN. Votes to Put In!

Prof. Josh M. A. Long: Kindly preserve these old chestnuts in an ice vault. In case of suffocation notify me directly. "Say, boss," says a husky tramp, "him

yer tell me where I kin get 15 cents for A SEWING MACHINE FOR THE "Certainly," answered the kind philan-

worth it I will buy it." Philanthropist, who conceals his iden-

Two Irishmen were once walking toward New York, when they met a man and asked him how much further they had got to travel, and were told that The sewing machine is on view at the it was yet twenty miles to the great

"Faith, we'll not reach it the night." jected.

"Och, Pat, come on. Twinty moils! Shure that's not much; only tin moils

have caused the merriment of this world below to their rightful position, and to encourage others, especially the latics, who seem to lack interest in this most important undertaking, I offer a

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method to pop the question is: Let the young lady have her picture in readiness and when he is comfortably settled during an how would you like to take the original. Miss A. H. If he has the least spark of love for you he will jump at the proposition.

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A Bit of Human Nature.

letters will you admit just one little plained and understood, and they are | bit of human nature and sentiment perfectly satisfied with each other, no Yes? Well then: We sat together on time will be wasted in popping the quastion (be it leap year or any other time). the sea at sunset; and as the twilight's Love is not a mere passion, but a divine softening touch rested on the water and attribute like God Himself. The matter the ripple of the waves brought to us old of broaching the question (on the part ocean's soothing melody, she leaned of the gentleman) will then be one of gently toward me, her soft, warm, reality and pleasure, and not one of brawn hair brushing my cheek. My arm ask and formality. The matter will slipped round her and drew her gently to then and there be happily and satisfac- me; her head, fairest on earth, nestling orily adjusted. A large number of per- lovingly on my shoulder. "Dear little sons entering the marriage contract can- girl." I said. "won't you let me love and not explain the motives for bringing keep you thus always-through life

## OUT OF THE MOUTHS OF BABES.

Teacher-Why, Johnny, I thought you knew your alphabet? Johnny-I don't know the names of the letters; nor the way they come

Father-Everything I say to you goes in at one ear and out at the other. Eric-Is that what little boys has two ears for, papa? Mother-What is the matter, my dear? Why are you crying?

"It isn't enough to save."
"Mother," said Wille, when he had finished it, "a boy in the famil;

Eve, "that old serpent couldn't have tempted me with an apple. 'c' "But." suggested Elsie, "s'pose somebody had told you not to eat :

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